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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	US 6,274,096 B1 (THIEBAUT et al) 14 August 2001, see abstract and description of Figure 2 and Figures 2 and 4.	1-48, 55-56
Y	US 5,073,356 A (GURO et al) 17 December 1991, see col. 8, lines 39-65.	1-48, 55-56
Y	Database CAPLUS on STN, Chemical Abstract, (columbus OH, USA) CA: 107:136324, Alberta Gas Chemicals Ltd "Manufacture of Alcohol and Catalysts for use, NL 8502813, 1987.	1-48.
Y	US 2,460,508 A (JOHNSON et al) 01 February 1949, see Figure 1.	55-56
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